

## KNOX BOOM GROWS

Leaders Also Consider Taft and Cannon in Race.

### SATISFACTORY TO ROOSEVELT

Any Man Who Will Carry Out Policies of Present Administration Will Prove Acceptable to the President—Uncle Joe's Strength Causes Surprise in Republican Ranks.

According to what is said by the big Republican leaders, the next Presidential candidate is to be Taft or Knox or Cannon. A few weeks ago the chances seemed to favor Taft, and it was accepted by many that his nomination was already assured. But the Knox boom has gathered strength, and this is generally recognized by Mr. Taft's friends. Senator Knox is in earnest. He was at first inclined to look with disfavor upon the mention of his name for the Presidency, but he has become convinced that his prospects are bright, and has gone into the fight with the intention to win if he can, and, in any event, to be a strong factor in the determination of the result. Mr. Cannon, too, is looking big on the political horizon. As in the case of Mr. Knox, there was a disposition at first to regard his Presidential boom as a mere bubble that would break before the serious candidates got down to serious work. There was lacking also the sanction of Mr. Cannon. He seemed to regard the matter as not worthy of consideration, and his dry sayings about his candidacy were not such as to encourage the idea that he believed himself to be a factor. The backers of Taft and Knox know now that the venerable gentleman is familiarly and affectionately designated throughout the country as Uncle Joe, means to have his claims given serious consideration. His friends are legion, and the Taft boomers and the Knox boomers are acknowledging that, in spite of his age, Mr. Cannon will be a dangerous opponent.

### President Keeps Hands Off.

Whatever the President may have said in the past as to his preference for Taft over all the other candidates, he has adopted the attitude that he is not for any particular man, but merely desires that the nomination go to a candidate who will carry out the Roosevelt policies. In this connection, he has put the hall mark of his approval upon Knox. The Pennsylvania Senator's friends are saying that they know that the President will be just as willing to "crawl on his hands and knees from the White House to the Capitol" to get the nomination for Knox, as he would be willing to perform this same tedious and awkward feat in behalf of Mr. Taft. When he suggested in this figurative way his devotion to the political fortunes of his Secretary of War, Mr. Poling, are acknowledging that Mr. Roosevelt did not mention the name of his former Attorney General, but it is now known that he has amended the original declaration to include Mr. Knox in the proposed metaphorical sacrifice of knees, hands, and dignity.

### Pennsylvania for Knox.

Pennsylvania is for Knox. He will be endorsed for the Presidency not merely in a complimentary way, but with the serious conviction that he is a candidate whose chances of winning the prize are of the best. The Knox workers say that he has behind him the support of all factions in the Republican party in his State, and all the Pennsylvania Congressmen, with the possible exception of two. These are Representative Thomas S. Butler, of West Chester, and Representative Arthur Loken Bates, of Meadville.

Bates is a relative of Vice President Fairbanks.

It is related that President Roosevelt suggested to Pennsylvania Republican leaders that at the State convention, to be held on June 6, a resolution endorsing Mr. Roosevelt's administration be adopted, and that a man acceptable to the President, who would be depended upon to carry out the Roosevelt policies, be endorsed for the Presidential nomination. The leaders did not like the second portion of the suggestion. They thought that it meant that they should endorse Taft, and they had made up their minds to endorse Knox. So the President was informed that Knox was the choice of his State, after Mr. Roosevelt himself, and were delighted and somewhat surprised to learn that the President heartily approved this programme. Knox, he was represented as saying, would be entirely acceptable to him.

### State Also for Roosevelt.

If the President's name should go before the Republican convention in 1908 as a candidate to succeed himself the Pennsylvania delegation will give him its support, the Knox boomers say. But the President, they assert, will not be a candidate for the nomination, and the knowledge of this, they contend, has served to strengthen the Knox boom materially. It is admitted by prominent men who are not supporting Knox that the Pennsylvania Senator has developed much strength.

For Mr. Knox his supporters claim he will be the candidate of the business men. They say that their only fear is that his popularity among those who have large financial interests will be misunderstood and may hurt the Senator's chances. Generally, however, they are satisfied with the outlook for their man.

**Worried by Cannon Boom.**  
The Cannon boom is causing uneasiness among the supporters of Taft, Knox, and Fairbanks. They don't know what to make of it. Uncle Joe will go before the national convention, like Knox, with the backing of a powerful Republican State. Many able Republican leaders are supposed to be behind his boom.

Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, one of the ablest politicians in the country, and a strong man in his State, is a Cannon supporter. Other members of the House of Representatives who will be delegates to the national convention will look with favor on Mr. Cannon's candidacy, for Uncle Joe is popular with the greater number of those over whose deliberations he presides.

He is said to be strong among some elements in New York and New England. His friends are active and energetic. They know that Mr. Cannon is serious in the race, and they intend to work hard to help him win.

### Cutter Seminoles Sent to Beaufort.

The Treasury Department has designated the revenue cutter Seminoles for duty at Beaufort, S. C., June 8, at the celebration of the completion of the Norfolk and Southern Railway and of the beginning of the construction of the inland waterway from Norfolk to Beaufort. The cutter will be at the disposal of the governor of South Carolina and official guests.

### Merry Goes to Salvador.

United States Minister Merry, accredited to Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Salvador, has been directed by the State Department to proceed from San Jose to Salvador to investigate conditions there and report to the department. The situation in Salvador has been unsettled for some time.

## T. L. MAHON HONORED.

Given Reception in Recognition of Fifteen Years' Service.

Terrence L. Mahon, secretary and treasurer of the International Steel and Copper Plate Printers, was tendered a reception at his home last night by the Plate Printers of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in recognition of his fifteen years' faithful service. Music and refreshments beguiled the time until a late hour, and at the conclusion of the reception a golfing party was presented to Mr. Mahon by his friends.

Those present at the reception were Assistant Director of the Government Printing Office James E. Ralph, William E. McKinney, T. V. Powell, E. Ryan, Samuel De Nedry, William Whelan, M. H. Ramboe, John R. Hull, William McGulre, W. Doyle, and Messrs. Edwards, McKenna, Uiman, McNally, Baker, Willis, Wright, Mills, New, O'Neill, Smith, Haley, Nichols, Buhle, Hantz, Mechin, Dooley, King, Peck, Laut, Jones, Cookson, Newman, Davis, Ripp, Steen, Bennett, Kane, Martin, Desmond, Myers, McCormick, and Freely.

### PLAN HIGH SCHOOL TRIP.

Committee Arranges for Excursion to Marshall Hall June 29.

A meeting of the committee having in charge the arrangements for the second annual excursion of the alumni association of the Business High School, to Marshall Hall, on Saturday, June 29, was held last evening. Most encouraging reports were presented from the subcommittees on athletic carnival, poster contest, programme, and launch races. Other unique and interesting features were also discussed. It was decided to make of the event an interesting school reunion, in order to afford the alumni of all the high schools an opportunity of meeting.

The committee is composed of Arthur C. Houghton, chairman; Miss Grace C. Eysner, secretary; George W. Barnes, treasurer; Misses Esther S. Elliott and Ruth W. Bowie, and Harry E. Lowe, Howard M. Pruden, J. Edwin Lawton, Lester F. Mark, and George G. Whitney. The committee will hold another meeting within a few days, at which time the completed arrangements will be announced.

### JURY AWARDS POLING \$17,500

Twice Injured, Wins Suit Against Capital Traction Company.

Action Brought as Result of Two Accidents—Recovers \$12,000 on One and \$5,500 on Another.

After several years of litigation, Virgil Poling last night obtained a verdict against the Capital Traction Company for \$17,500 as the result of injuries received in two accidents on that corporation's line.

The decision of the jury was rendered last night, after eight hours' consideration. Attorneys Conrad H. Syme and H. H. Glasco, who appeared for Poling, are greatly elated over the victory, which is the outcome of an unusually bitter legal battle.

Mr. Poling is even more joyful. His first injury was received in June, 1897, his hip being dislocated in the accident.

In August, 1902, he was again the victim of a mishap on the same line, this time partial paralysis resulting.

In the first suit brought by Poling the jury, last night's jury, how ever, came to a final decision after much argument, the damages for the first accident being placed at \$12,000, and for the second at \$5,500.

R. Reed Peck was attorney for the traction company.

### MRS. SOLOMON KANN IS DEAD.

Wife of Baltimore Merchant Passes Away in that City.

Mrs. Solomon Kann, wife of Solomon Kann, of Baltimore, the founder of the Kann stores in that city and Washington, died yesterday afternoon in the country home of her son, Sigmund Kann, at Catonsville, Md. Mrs. Kann was taken sick about a year ago, and for a time her condition seemed serious, but under the careful attention of her family she appeared recovered and was in fairly good health during last winter.

She suffered a relapse a short time ago, and although she showed remarkable vitality during her illness, it proved fatal. During her long residence in Baltimore she had made many friends, and her home was one of the most hospitable and attractive in that city. She was also prominent in charitable work. Several members of the family were with her at the end.

On hearing of her death, Simon Kann, her son, ordered that the store here be closed until after the funeral, which will take place on Friday, at 2 p. m., at the Kann city residence, 1515 Euter street, Baltimore. The relatives of Mrs. Kann who reside in this city left here last night for Baltimore, where they will remain until after the funeral. Mrs. Kann is survived by her husband, Sigmund Kann, and three sons, Louis, Simon, and Sigmund.

The funeral ceremonies will be conducted by Rev. William Rosenau, of Euter Place Temple. The Kann stores in this city will reopen Saturday morning.

### CONDEMNNS ALARM SERVICE.

District Electric Engineer Advises It Be Discontinued.

Because of the alleged failure of the National Automatic Fire Alarm Company to provide a proper service for its subscribers, Walter C. Allen, electrical engineer of the District, yesterday recommended that the District decline to further recognize or receive alarms of fire over its signaling apparatus.

According to Mr. Allen, the company, which has maintained a special fire-alarm system with recording apparatus at fire-alarm headquarters, has failed to provide a register on which alarms are received since May 8, and that the system has been useless since that time. The register was taken out on that date for repairs.

"The only way in which alarms could be received if sent to the company's office by its several subscribers," said Mr. Allen, "city residents, would be to call only the nearest engine company."

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## HONOR HEROES TODAY

Ceremonies Will Be Held by Many Organizations.

### GRAVES TO BE DECORATED

Principal Exercises to Be at Arlington National Cemetery—Corporal James Tanner the Chief Speaker. Lincoln's Gettysburg Address to Be Read by Several Orators.

A nation's existence is founded on the brave deeds of its heroes, and ever since the beginning of history have their memories been immortalized in poem, in song, and in sculpture, and transmitted to posterity through ages.

This is the day designated by a grateful people when the brave deeds of those Americans who offered their lives on the altar of their country is observed with fitting ceremonies, and the various military organizations have completed plans to do honor to the memory of their dead comrades with flowers, speech, song, and music.

The principal services will be held at Arlington, the National Cemetery, where more than 20,000 heroes sleep. Comrade James Tanner, past commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., will deliver the oration of the day.

The ceremonies at the National Cemetery and United States Soldiers' Home will be under the direction of John S. Walker, senior vice department commander, with the Rev. Carl G. Doney, of the Shiloh Church, as the principal speaker. Rev. F. M. Bristol, pastor of the Metropolitan M. E. Church, will deliver the oration at the services at Congressional Cemetery, and Hon. W. W. Brown, Auditor of the Navy Department, will dedicate the dead at Glenwood Prospect Hill, St. Mary's and Mount Olivet cemeteries.

### To Read Gettysburg Address.

At Holy Rood and Oak Hill cemeteries Lincoln's Gettysburg address will be read by Robert Lee Haycock, while Hon. James M. (Private) Dazell will make the oration at St. Elizabeth's Cemetery.

Judge Ashley M. Gould will dwell on the noble deeds of the dead soldiers at the ceremonies at Battleground National Cemetery, and the services at Harmony Cemetery will be under the direction of R. D. Goodman, commander.

One of the most beautiful features of today's exercises will be the launching and setting adrift of a boat laden with flowers. The craft will be taken by steamer down to Hampton Roads this morning, where it will be filled with flowers and given in charge of the waves, in commemoration of the heroes of the deep, the sailors who fought and died for their country.

Another prominent feature will be the unveiling of a monument, presented by the Army of the Tennessee, in memory of Gen. Joseph Anthony Mower. The exercises will commence at 5 o'clock, following the regular Decoration day exercises, and the location of the monument will be on the eastern slope of Arlington Cemetery.

### Statue to Gen. Kelley.

The Society of the Army of West Virginia will unveil a heroic monument to the late Maj. Gen. Benjamin F. Kelley, who was a member of Kit Carson Post, G. A. R. The ceremonies will also take place at Arlington and will begin at noon.

Admiral Schley's naval command will follow its usual custom of placing a wreath on the anchor of the battle ship Maine at Arlington.

Capt. Alvin Capron's Post, No. 11, Department of Pennsylvania, American Veterans of Foreign Service, will place on the grave of their dead leader a floral piece of immortality, a reproduction of their badge. The tribute bears the national colors in design, and stands five and one-half feet high by two and one-half feet wide. The committee in charge is Harry H. Walton, commander; Harry List, past adjutant, and James H. Donnelly, chaplain.

The statues of soldier and sailor heroes in the various parts of the city have been draped in memory of the day with flags and festooned with flowers.

The Shriners will also honor their dead, and Arab Patrol, of Almas Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., has decided to decorate the graves of four members who have died since the organization of the patrol, the first three members of which were victims of a recent disaster on the Potomac several years ago.

### SERVICES AT THE G. P. O.

Third Annual Memorial Song Service Is Held.

The third annual memorial exercises of Decoration Day were held at the Government Printing Office yesterday afternoon by the Printing Office Guild, assisted by several soloists who donated their services. The most pleasing feature of the exercises was the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," which concluded the programme.

Promptly at 12 the employees of the office hurried to the auditorium, and long before the music began there was a throng in the hallways with receding apparatus at fire-alarm headquarters, has failed to provide a register on which alarms are received since May 8, and that the system has been useless since that time. The register was taken out on that date for repairs.

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The programme consisted of the following numbers: "Tenting To-night on the Old Camp Ground," Mrs. Charles B. Bayly and Glee Club; selection, "Sweet Be Thy Rest," the Glee Club; solo, "Sleep On, Ye Honored Dead," Mrs. Charles B. Bayly, Miss Jessie Young, accompanist; selection, "Rest, Comrades, Rest," the Glee Club; the national anthem.

Government Printing Office Glee Club includes among its members: First tenors, Charles E. Tompkins, John Handi-boe, William A. Smith, James Montgomery; second tenors, Charles W. Bridwell, Thomas Roegner, Frank Morrison, J. M. Patterson, W. H. Johnson, barytones, D. N. Klapp, John R. Purvis, John T. O'Hara, George T. Chattaway; basses, Harry J. Redfield, Fred L. Powers, Cyrus Cook, J. U. Jackson, Benjamin A. Lineback, director.

### Queen Victoria Takes Walk.

Madrid, May 29.—The Queen to-day left the castle for the first time since her accouchement and took a brisk walk on one of the terraces of the royal grounds. When the palace guard was changed King Alfonso went on a balcony with the Prince of the Asturias in his arms, and received the salute from the soldiers.

## GREAT BAND CONTEST TO-DAY

At Handle Highlands—5,000 People May Probably Attend.

The band contest between the Naval Gun Factory Band and the Laurel Military Band will be one of the greatest musical events ever held in the District of Columbia. A handsome sum of \$1,000 will be offered for the winner of the contest. The Laurel Military Band will play Southern airs, the Naval Band Northern airs.

The old veterans, both of the Union and Confederate forces, will be served first at the barbecue. Special attention will be paid to them.

It is estimated that a large per cent of the white population of Washington will attend this contest. The Capital Traction cars going east on Pennsylvania avenue marked F and G will give passengers free transfers to Handle Highlands.

### GUARDSMEN HOLD SMOKER.

Corcoran Cadets Spend Enjoyable Evening at Armory.

There were big doings at the National Guard Armory last night. The Corcoran Cadets held a smoker, and that every one might enter into the spirit of the occasion, assisted matters by handing around big corn-cob pipes.

Besides several impromptu speeches by officers and members of the company, there was an interesting musical programme of eleven numbers, including pieces by the Symphonies, the Anacostia String Quartet, the Harmonicon Quartet, and several individuals.

After the musical part of the programme had been finished a buffet luncheon was served by members of the company, and the evening was ended by the singing of several popular songs.

### SERVICES HELD IN CAPITOL

Memories of Lincoln and Grant Honored by Societies.

Washington's and Oliver P. Morton's Statues Also Decorated with Wreaths.

The rotunda of the Capitol yesterday was the scene of an impressive service held in commemoration of the lives and works of Lincoln and Grant. The morning services, for Lincoln, were under the auspices of the Lincoln Camp, Sons of Veterans. The patriotic gathering was seated in front of the statue of Lincoln, which had been thrown into prominence by the spreading of an American flag behind the effigy.

Frederick Webber was in charge of the exercises. After a brief and appropriate reference to the purposes of the gathering, he presented Rev. Donald C. MacLeod, who delivered the invocation. MacLeod then read Lincoln's Gettysburg address, which was accorded the utmost attention. In a talk of twenty minutes, Shenton T. Cameron summed up, in an eloquent manner, the great characteristics and important events in the life of the martyred President.

Services in memory of Gen. Grant were held under the auspices of Grant Circle, No. 1, Ladies of the G. A. R., in the rotunda shortly before 3 o'clock. An escort of twenty-five noncommissioned officers of the High School Brigade accompanied the members from the Marine Room of the Senate to seats before the statue of Gen. Grant. The guard of honor marched in columns of two to the rotunda, a bugler controlling the movements of the escort.

The members of the circle and invited guests were seated. Rev. Mr. Wright, of the McKendree Methodist Episcopal Church, delivered the invocation. The introductory address was by Col. William E. Rogers, a recitation by Col. John Tweedle, "My Captain," and the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" were attractive features of the programme.

Mrs. Dora B. Hendrix, president of Grant Circle, decorated the statue with a simple wreath, which was placed at the feet of the great commander. A fitting tribute was then paid to his life and the lofty principles which animated his whole career, by former Senator John M. Thurston, of Nebraska, whose eulogy will long be remembered as one of the most eloquent that has been delivered on such occasions in the rotunda.

Other ceremonies occurring at the Capitol yesterday were the decoration of the George Washington bust in the rotunda, by George Brooks, a patriotic Virginian, and member of the Capitol police. For three years Mr. Brooks has performed this ceremony.

The Indians of this city also chose this as an appropriate time to honor the memory of former Gov. Oliver P. Morton, whose marble likeness stands in Statuary Hall. Col. W. Gray Beach, of this city, and formerly of Indiana, was the instigator of the idea, and placed a handsome wreath at the feet of the great war governor.

### TOUR OF AUTOISTS.

Members of Local Club Have Run to Harper's Ferry.

The annual spring run of the Automobile Club, of Washington, was started yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the club house on the Brightwood road.

There were about twenty-five members in the party which arrived at Harper's Ferry last night. The party will stop at the Hill Top House while at Harper's Ferry, and will make the start for Washington some time this morning. The gasoline men are due to arrive in Washington early this afternoon.

### Ocean Steamships.

New York, May 29.—Arrived—Corona, from Liverpool, May 21; Oceanic, from Liverpool, May 22. Arrived—Corona, at Liverpool, from New York; Graf Waldersee, at Cherbourg, from New York; Graf, at Liverpool, from New York.

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## CHANCELLOR WINS VICTORY IN SCHOOLS

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Charles Mosley, A. W. Berryman, W. H. Smith, C. B. Jones, J. C. Matthews, Jefferson Thomas, J. Thompson, and J. W. Sinclair. A number of transfers among the juniors were also made, to improve the efficiency of the work, which, according to the chairman of the teachers and janitors' committee, has been far from good.

A collection for the benefit of the public playgrounds will be taken up in all the schools of the city on Tuesday, June 4. This is the third season that a course has been pursued, and it is hoped that enough money can be obtained to enable the committee to keep up the grounds that have been opened and to open several new ones. The board of education has given its sanction and support to this collection.

### List of Increases.

Following is the list of officers and teachers whose salaries for the coming year have been increased \$100 or more. Among the largest increases were: E. F. G. Merritt, primary work, \$530; R. A. Mauner, Central High, \$800; J. L. Sparks, Eastern High, \$350, and I. F. Brooks, of the First division, \$180.

Officers—S. B. Simmons, E. K. Bushee, A. T. Stuart, J. A. Chamberlain, G. C. Clark, W. R. Paterson, E. G. Kimball, Isaac Fairbrother, R. T. Janney, S. E. Kramer, W. G. Black, H. M. Johnson, M. Ely, R. C. Bruce, H. L. Bailey, J. C. Nalle, and Ross Carter.

Office—Maud Wagner, Normal School No. 1—A. M. Goding, H. D. Wise, S. B. Sipe, S. E. McMahon, E. A. Hamner, M. C. Breen, Corolla Whitely, E. L. Hardy, Maricetta Stockard, and E. E. Parkinson.

Drawing—S. A. Fuller, Physical training—Rebecca Stonerod.

Normal School No. 2—S. W. Brown, J. A. Wernler, A. C. Hand, M. V. Dickerson, C. E. Hunter, L. B. Davis.

Primary work—E. F. G. Merritt, Central High School—E. M. Wilson, A. W. Spangher, Harry English, A. S. Rainey, W. A. Hendrick, S. E. Simmons, L. E. C. Collier, Nora Hoppsberger, M. E. Morgan, Mary Weddell, W. F. Dales, C. W. Orr, Ellen Golden, Marie Siebert, M. K. Hampton, J. L. Dittie, E. L. Conpton, S. M. Farr, Eugene Liebschütz, H. H. Burroughs, W. C. Myers, G. S. Edelin, Mildred Dean, G. W. Kelly, W. M. Phelps, Lillian Pace, R. A. Mauner, Louise Robins, Etelle Penno, H. M. Hyslop, A. M. Clark, H. N. Gary, C. C. Wright, Clair Botkin, Edith Rutherford, A. A. Doolittle, S. P. Lynch, Kate Tindall, L. M. Evans, Rosalie Robinson, William Foley, A. A. Jones,

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